

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 16 with the following rewritten version:

-- As shown in Figure 5, the fixed shaft cover 46 includes a first guide portion 46a and a concave portion 46b. The first guide portion 46a guides the fishing line along its outer circumference. The concave portion 46b is disposed such that the bail 41 of the fixed shaft cover 46 is interposed between the concave portion 46b and the first guide portion 46a. The concave portion 46b is formed at a portion of the fixed shaft cover 46 closest to the spool 4, as a concave portion on the opposite side of the first guide portion 46a. The concave portion 46b includes a first recessed portion 46d and a second recessed portion 46c. The second recessed portion 46c is disposed such that the bail 41 of the fixed shaft cover 46 is interposed between the second recessed portion 46c and the first guide portion 46a. Further, the second recessed portion 46c is formed with a concave portion on the opposite side of the first guide portion 46a. Referring now to Figures 3 and 5, the first recessed portion 46d is disposed such that it is connected with at least one portion of the second recessed portion 46c on the side thereof nearest the line roller 44 and is formed with a concave portion at a point closest to the spool 4. In addition, the fixed shaft cover 46 further includes a conical portion 46e and a cylindrical portion 46f. The conical portion 46e is smoothly joined with one end of the bail 41 near the apex of the conical portion 46e. The cylindrical portion 46f is smoothly and integrally attached to the bottom surface of the conical portion 46e on the side nearest the line roller 44 and which has a diameter that is approximately equal thereto. Of course, the portion of the cylindrical portion 46f closest to the mounting portion 40b has a larger diameter than the line roller 44 to accommodate the line roller therein. The second recessed portion 46c is formed in the conical portion 46e. ~~and the~~ The first recessed portion 46d is formed in the cylindrical portion 46f where the cylindrical portion 46f meets the conical portion 46e, such that the first recessed portion 46d is further recessed relative to the second recessed portion 46c and the cylindrical portion 46f. --